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Applicant: Atsushi MAKI *et al.*

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

26 December 2001

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicant hereby submits the attached references for consideration by the Office under 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO-1449 to indicate consideration.

No fee is required for this submission because it is being filed prior to the first Action on the merits. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to ATS&K Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (as Order No. 500.34077CC3), and please credit any overpayment or excess fees thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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Form PTO-1449, Five (5) References